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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the requirement in 37 C.F.R. §1.2, 37 C.F.R. §1.133, and MPEP §713.04, that Applicants provide a statement of the substance of an interview, Applicant hereby submits the following summary.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges Examiner Coleman for taking time from his busy schedule to conduct a personal interview on October 26, 2004, for the above-referenced Application. The interview was courteous and professional, and it is believed by Applicant's representative that prosecution has been advanced because of this interview.

Concerning the substance of the interview, Applicant's representative presented a summary of the present invention as described, for example, by claim 1. The focus of the discussion was on the aspect of the present invention in which each additional processing unit has its own dedicated memory bank. One of the advantages of this configuration is that the processor can lock out access to the data in its memory bank once it has begun executing it processing.

The discussion then shifted to the mechanism of controlling the data bus for each

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memory bank, as demonstrated, for example, Figure 3.

The Examiner agreed to consider the discussion of the interview in his evaluation of the Amendment filed on September 30, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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